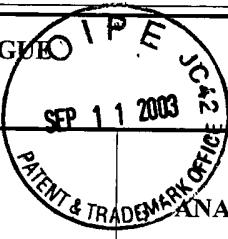


**COMBINED AMENDMENT & PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF
TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) (Small Entity)**

Docket No.
0252/US

In Re Application Of: **WILLIAM A. MONTAGUE**



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ELECTRICAL SAFETY CONNECTOR FUSE

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This is a combined amendment and petition under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of MAY 15, 2003 in the above-identified application.

The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired):

- One month Two months Three months Four months Five months

from: AUG. 15, 2003 until: SEPT. 15, 2003
Date *Date*

A verified statement of small entity status as a small entity under 37 CFR 1.27:

- is enclosed.
 has already been filed in this application.

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TOTAL CLAIMS	33 -	33 =	0	x \$9.00	\$0.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	10 -	5 =	5	x \$42.00	\$210.00
FEE FOR AMENDMENT					\$210.00
FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME					\$55.00
TOTAL FEE FOR AMENDMENT AND EXTENSION OF TIME					\$265.00

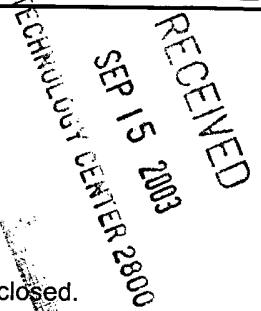
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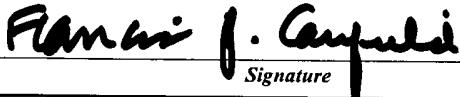
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AMENDMENT

Sir:

A non-final Office Action was mailed in this application on May 15, 2003 setting a shortened statutory period for reply to expire three months from the mailing date or by August 15, 2003. Accompanying this amendment is a request and fee for a one-month extension of time thereby making a response due by September 15, 2003. In response to the Office Action of May 15, 2003, please amend and reconsider the above-identified as follows:

Amendments To The Specification - begin on page 2 to this paper.

Amendments To The Claims - are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments To The Drawings - begin on page 13

Remarks/Arguments - begin on page 14 of this paper